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1. POST WILL ATTEMPT TO SCHEDULE IVP INDIVIDUALS AND GROUPS AT LEVEL REQUIRING NO MORE THAN EIGHT INTERPRETERS AT ANY ONE TIME. HOWEVER, ANNUAL JAPAN ALLOCATION OF 12 LABOR TEAMS (REQUIRING TWO INTERPRETERS EACH) AND 40 INDIVIDUAL IV'S (OVER 90 PERCENT REQUIRING INTERPRETERS), PLUS VOLUNTARY VISITORS, PUTS DEMAND FOR INTERPRETERS AT CLOSE TO LIMIT EVEN WITH OPTIMUM LUCK IN SCHEDULING REGULAR DEPARTURES THROUGHOUT YEAR. BEST GUESS IS THAT WE WILL CONTINUE TO HAVE SOME PEAK SEASON PROBLEMS. SOME GRANTEES HAVE OVERRIDING LIMITATIONS ON ABILITY TO DEPART WHEN WE PREFER TO SCHEDULE THEM.

2. TO ENABLE US TO HANDLE SCHEDULING PROBLEMS FOR SELECTED CASES EMBASSY WOULD LIKE TO EXPLORE WITH DEPARTMENT POSSIBILITY OF SUPPLYING OCCASIONAL INTERPRETERS FROM WITHIN LOCAL EMPLOYEE STAFF, INCLUDING USIS AMERICAN CENTER STAFFS. THIS COULD BE PARTICULARLY EFFECTIVE WITH GROUPS FROM OUTSIDE TOKYO. PRACTICE WOULD HAVE ADVANTAGE OF IMPROVED CONTINUING FOLLOW-UP

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WITH GRANTEES. ONLY ENGLISH-LANGUAGE QUALIFIED JAPANESE

EMPLOYEES WOULD BE SELECTED, WITH SPECIAL NEEDS OF
GRANTEES IN MIND. USIS TOKYO COULD POSSIBLY PROVIDE
SOME SHARE OF TRAVEL COSTS IF CU AND FUND DOMESTIC SIDE.
SINCE EMPLOYEES ALREADY RECEIVING SALARY WOULD NEED PER
DIEM AND TRAVEL ONLY.

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